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January 26, 2000

The Honorable Richard Grobschmidt, Chair Senate Education Committee 104 South, State Capitol P.O. Box 7882 Madison, WI 53707-7882

Dear Senator Probachinidt:

The Department of Public Instruction supports Senate Bill 264, relating to granting high school diplomas to certain veterans.

The beneficiaries of this bill are the brave men and women who left their schoolwork behind for the noble purpose of defending their country during a time of crisis. By putting their lives on the line so freedom could be preserved, they exemplified the highest form of citizenship. The experiences they went through prepared them well for the challenges of family and career. It is appropriate to recognize the sacrifices they made <u>and</u> the lessons they learned during the time of their military service by awarding them a high school diploma.

Thank you for considering my comments on SB264.

Sincerely,

John T. Benson State Superintendent

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To: All Legislators

From: Senator Rod Moen

Subject: Operation Recognition

Date: October 1, 1999

LRB-3505, permits a school board to award a high-school diploma to a person who is at least 65 years old, attended high school in the school district, left high school before graduation to join the armed forces during a statutorily designated war period, served on active duty under honorable conditions in the armed forces, and did not received their high-school diploma as a consequence of their military service.

This proposal is fashioned after a program in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts called *Operation Recognition*, whereby World War II veterans who dropped out of school to serve their county in the military in a time of war, and did not receive their high-school diploma, finally received their high-school diploma.

LRB-3505 states the school district may award a high school diploma to a veteran of any statutorily designated war period, who is age 65 or older, and who meets other eligibility criteria.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact my office (6-8546) by Friday, October 15, 1999.

A PDF file of LRB-3505 is attached. There will be no hard copy distributed.